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SUBJ: EWG MEETING FEB. 14 ON BASIC ISSUES OF DEFENSE PLANNING

REF: USNATO 0835

TEXT OF REVISED EXECUTIVE WORKING GROUP DEVISION SHEET  
(AC/281-RS(74)1 REVISED) PERTAINING TO FEB 14 CONSIDERATION  
OF BASIC ISSUES OF DEFENSE PLANNING IS QUOTED BELOW:

III. BASIC ISSUES OF DEFENCE PLANNING

REFS: DPC/D(73)30

DPC/D(73)35

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DOCUMENT: AC/281-WP(74)1

3. THE EXECUTIVE WORKING GROUP:

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(A) DISCUSSED THE WORK PROGRAMME FOR THE PREPARATION  
OF THE PROGRESS REPORT ON "BASIC ISSUES" AS SET  
OUT IN THE WORKING PAPER AT REFERENCE, AND THE  
RELATION BETWEEN THIS REPORT AND OTHER FORCE

PLANNING ACTIVITIES TAKING PLACE DURING THE SAME PERIOD OF TIME;

(B) AGREED THAT THE AD 70 REPORT TO BE SUBMITTED TO MINISTERS AT THEIR SPRING 1974 MEETING SHOULD BE ON A MORE LIMITED SCALE THAN ORIGINALLY ENVISAGED(1). EMPHASIS WOULD BE PLACED ON ASSESSMENTS OF FORCE CAPABILITIES ON A REGIONAL AND FUNCTIONAL BASIS. THE AIM WOULD BE ALSO TO COVER THE SUPPORTING PROGRAMMES LISTED BY THE DEFENCE PLANNING COMMITTEE (1); THE EXTENT OF THE COVERAGE WOULD HOWEVER DEPEND ON THE MATERIAL WHICH WOULD BECOME

AVAILABLE IN TIME FOR INCORPORATION AND ON THE NEED TO AVOID DUPLICATION;

(C) CONFIRMED THAT WORK SHOULD CONTINUE ACTIVELY ON THE PROPOSALS CONTAINED IN THE DEFENCE PLANNING COMMITTEE REPORT ON THE BASIC ISSUES OF DEFENCE PLANNING(2);

ANNEX I TO CPP(74)1  
AC/281-DS(74)1(REVISED)

(D) AGREED THE DECISION ON THE FORMAT OF THE FINAL SUBMISSION TO MINISTERS ON BASIC ISSUES, AND THE EXTENT TO WHICH IT COULD BE INTEGRATED INTO OR ASSOCIATED WITH THE AD 70 REPORT WOULD BE DEFERRED UNTIL DRAFT TEXTS WERE AVAILABLE;

(E) AS REGARDS THE OTHER ISSUES SUGGESTED FOR STUDY BY THE UNITED STATES SECRETARY OF DEFENSE (E.G. MOBILE AIR DEFENCE SYSTEMS, ELECTRONIC COUNTERMEASURES, AND MODERN AIRCRAFT MUNITIONS) AGREED TO CONSIDER TO WHAT EXTENT THESE OR ANY OTHER SUCH ISSUES SHOULD BE COVERED IN THE CONFIDENTIAL

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SPRING REPORT IN THE LIGHT OF THE INTERIM REPORT EXPECTED FROM THE MILITARY COMMITTEE TO THE DEFENCE PLANNING COMMITTEE ON 1ST MARCH, 1974(3);

(F) AGREED IN PRINCIPLE THAT A FULL AD 70 STUDY, ON THE LINES OF THE ONE SUBMITTED TO MINISTERS IN JUNE 1973, SHOULD BE UNDERTAKEN IN 1975.

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(1) DPC/D(73)21, 18TH SEPTEMBER, 1973  
(2) DPC/D(73)30, 30TH NOVEMBER, 1973, AND CORRIGENDUM  
(3) DPC/D(73)30, PARAGRAPH 49  
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